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Raymond E. Baral Jr.  
The Metropolitan District Commission  
237 Lake Road  
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Dear Mr. Baral:

Congratulations! You have been chosen by the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) Drinking Water Section to receive the 2015 Educational Public Health Drinking Water Merit Award. This award is given during National Drinking Water Week to recognize an educator who has made outstanding contributions to the field of drinking water.

The DPH Drinking Water Section (DWS) helps protect public health by assuring the quality and adequacy of the state's more than 2,500 public water systems (PWSs) through administration of state and federal drinking water regulations. A well-educated workforce is critical to the DPH's mission of assuring safe water at all public water systems. As part of celebrating National Drinking Water Week, DPH will recognize one individual who has made outstanding contributions to the drinking water field in the area of education. This award is given to an educator who has made superior contributions to educating personnel in the drinking water field.

You are being recognized for your outstanding contributions to the education of the drinking water industry workforce. The Department is especially grateful for your willingness to present at annual DPH fluoridation training events – the feedback we receive about your in-depth presentation focused on key concerns from the operator perspective is always very positive. Additionally we recognize your important involvement with the Connecticut Section of American Water Works Association as Education Co-Chair, and long-time instructor for the New England Water Works Association. You are known in the industry as having the heart of a teacher. Finally we are appreciative of your work to present a daylong training program funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at the Annual Technical Conference and Vendor Exposition on February 24, 2015 which is essential to educating operators of small water systems which face special compliance challenges.

We look forward to presenting you with your award at a ceremony on April 28, 2015 at 4:30 pm at the Hall of Flags (west wing, first floor at the Capitol Building 210 Capitol Ave, Hartford, CT). Should you have any questions, please contact Vicky Carrier, P.E. of the Drinking Water Section at (860) 509-7333 or via email at [Vicky.carrier@ct.gov](mailto:Vicky.carrier@ct.gov). Again, thank you for all that you do to ensure the public health and safety of drinking water in Connecticut

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jewel Mullen".

Jewel Mullen, MD, MPH, MPA  
Commissioner

c: Dr. Raul Pino, Director of Health  
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